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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
VIA : Deputy Director (Plans) R⁴ 20 MAY 1960
SUBJECT : Soviet Book on U-2 Incident

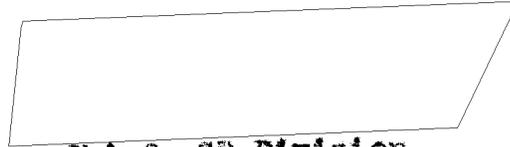
1. This memorandum is forwarded for your information.
2. We have just obtained a copy (attached hereto) of a book published in Moscow on 16 May 1960, entitled Aggressors Must be Sent to the Pillory: The Truth about the Provocative Intrusion of the American Plane into the Air Space of the USSR. The book was published by the Soviet Union of Journalists and contains 190 pages; 300,000 copies of the book were printed. It comprises factual and editorial comment, presenting the Soviet view of the incident and a number of extracts from purported comments made by various personalities in the United States which are highly critical of the U.S. Government handling of the incident, statements by KHRUSHCHEV and other prominent figures inside and outside the Soviet Union, texts of various Soviet notes of protest, extracts from unfavorable comments appearing in the Communist and non-Communist press, and a number of photographs purporting to show parts of the wrecked plane and its equipment.
3. The tone of the book follows the aggressive line adopted by KHRUSHCHEV at the outset of the incident. The book attempts to convey the impression that the United States Government is universally criticized and condemned for its part in the U-2 incident both by American and by world public opinion at large. In support of this thesis there are highly critical statements purportedly made by Cyrus EATON, Adlai STEVENSON, Leo SZILLARD, Harold STASSEN, Walter REUTHER, and quotations from the Conference of Young Democrats of the State of California, and of the National Secretariat of the Communist Party, USA, signed by Gus HALL.

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4. A translation of the book is now in process. A copy of the Table of Contents is attached.



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